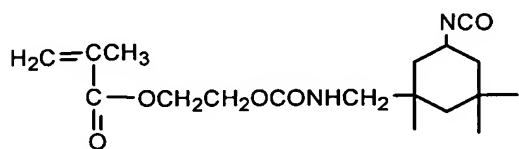


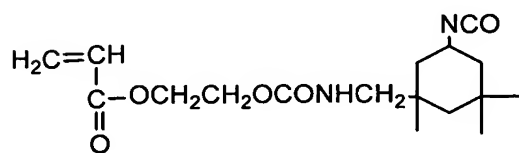
AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A water- and oil-repellent composition which comprises (A) the following polymer, (B) an aqueous medium and (C) a surfactant in a mass ratio of (A)/(B)/(C)=100/100-500/1-10:

Polymer (A): a copolymer containing (1) a ~~polymerization~~ monomer unit based on a (meth)acrylate having a polyfluoroalkyl group, (2) a ~~polymerization~~ monomer unit based on an alkyl(meth)acrylate having a C₁-C₁₂ alkyl group, (3) a ~~polymerization~~ monomer unit based on an alkyl(meth)acrylate having a C₁₆-C₂₂ alkyl group, and (4) a ~~polymerization~~ monomer unit based on at least one compound selected from the group consisting of 2-isocyanate ethyl methacrylate, 1,3,3-trimethyl-4-isocyanate cyclohexylmethyamidoxyethyl methacrylate of ~~the following formula~~ Formula 1 and 1,3,3-trimethyl-4-isocyanate cyclohexylmethyamidoxyethyl acrylate of ~~the following formula~~ Formula 2, the isocyanate group of which is blocked:



Formula 1



Formula 2.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): The water- and oil-repellent composition according to Claim 1, wherein the water- and oil-repellent composition does not contain a polymer containing a ~~polymerization~~ monomer unit having an organic halogen atom, except (~~except for a fluorine atom~~) atom, and/or an organic halogen compound, except (~~except for an organic fluorine compound~~) compound.

Claim 3 (Original): The water- and oil-repellent composition according to Claim 1, wherein the aqueous medium (B) is water or a mixed solvent of water and at least one solvent selected from the group consisting of propylene glycol, dipropylene glycol and tripropylene glycol.

Claim 4 (Original): The water- and oil-repellent composition according to Claim 1, wherein the surfactant (C) is a combination of a nonionic surfactant and a cationic surfactant.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The water- and oil-repellent composition according to Claim 4, wherein the nonionic surfactant is ~~the following~~ surfactant c¹,

wherein surfactant c¹: polyoxyalkylene monoalkyl ether, polyoxyalkylene monoalkenyl ether or polyoxyalkylene monoalkapolyenyl ether.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): The water- and oil-repellent composition according to Claim 4, wherein the nonionic surfactant contains at least one surfactant selected from the group consisting of ~~the above~~ surfactant c¹, ~~the following~~ surfactant c² ~~and/or the following~~, and surfactant c³,

wherein:

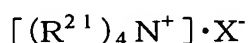
surfactant c¹: polyoxyalkylene monoalkyl ether, polyoxyalkylene monoalkenyl ether or polyoxyalkylene monoalkapolyenyl ether;

surfactant c²: a nonionic surfactant comprising a compound having at least one carbon-carbon triple bond and at least one hydroxyl group in a molecule, and ~~and/or~~

surfactant c³: a nonionic surfactant comprising a compound having a connection of a polyoxyethylene chain having at least two oxyethylene chains continuously connected and a

chain having at least two oxyalkylene chains of at least 3 carbon atoms continuously connected, and having hydroxyl groups on both terminals.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): The water- and oil-repellent composition according to Claim 4, wherein the cationic surfactant is a compound expressed by ~~the following formula~~
Formula C⁷¹.



Formula C⁷¹

wherein R²¹ is a hydrogen atom, a C₁-C₂₂ alkyl group, a C₂-C₂₂ alkenyl group or a polyoxyalkylene chain having a hydroxyl group at the terminal, and four R²¹ may be the same or different, but at least one of R²¹ is an alkyl group, and X⁻ is a pair ion.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): The water- and oil-repellent composition according to Claim 1, wherein the (meth)acrylate having a polyfluoroalkyl group (1) in the polymer (A) is a compound expressed by R^f-Q-OCOCR=CH₂,

wherein (R^f R^f is a C₂-C₂₀ polyfluoroalkyl group, R is a hydrogen atom or a methyl group, and Q is a divalent organic group group).

Claim 9 (Original): The water- and oil-repellent composition according to Claim 1, wherein the compound used for blocking the isocyanate group of (4) in the polymer (A) is 2-butanone oxime, 3-methylpyrazole or 3,5-dimethylpyrazole.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): The water- and oil-repellent composition according to Claim 1, wherein the polymer (A) is prepared by an emulsion polymerization method.

SUPPORT FOR THE AMENDMENTS

Claims 1, 2, 5-8, and 10 have been amended.

The amendment of Claims 1, 2, 5-8, and 10 is supported by the corresponding claims as originally filed. Further support for the amendment of Claim 8 is provided by page 5, lines 14-20.

No new matter has been added by the present amendment.